ANNOUNCEMENTS: The Constitutions of the CONGO, the Republic of BELARUS, MADAGASCAR, and MAURITANIA are now included.

NEWS: On 15 Sep 1995, MACEDONIA and GREECE signed a first agreement towards settling their dispute about name and flag of MACEDONIA. As a result of the agreement, GREECE lifted the embargo imposed in 1994. MACEDONIA now has direct access to Tessaloniki again. See ./mk__indx.html for details.

NEWS: NEPAL’s communist government was replaced by a centralist coalition of the Nepali Congress Party.

NEWS: SLOVENIA has joined the CEFTA. Compare ./gongo.html#cefta and ./si__indx.html for details.

NEWS: SUDAN: Student-led anti-government protests in Khartoum escalate into three days of bloody riots.

REFERENDUM: CANADA’s province QUEBEC will hold a referendum on the independence of the province which is favored by the current PQ government, but opposed by anti-secessionists who claim that the wording of the referendum question is unfair. See ./ca__indx.html for details.

TECHNICALS: FASTER ACCESS is now available on the East-Coast-Server:

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                       http://web.mit.edu/stngiam2/www/ICL/
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Thanks to SHIH TUNG NGIAM for providing that access.

COORDINATION: Some of you have volunteered to review a country and hand in suggestions for improvement. Please select a country yourself and send the suggestions to law@www.uni-hamburg.de.
We also need to decide which countries ought to be included next. Please hand in your priorities.
ANNOUNCEMENTS: If you do not want to receive the ICL Newsletter, please return the message. We will immediately erase you from our mailing list.

NEWS: IRAQ: President Saddam Hussein achieved 99.96% Yes / 99.47% turnout on 15 Oct elections, leaving only 3,300 votes unaccounted for.

NEWS: PORTUGAL: On 1 Oct 1995, the Socialist Party (PS) defeated the 10-year majority leader PSD (Social-Democratic Party) by getting 44% of the votes.

NEWS: LATVIA: Formally applied for EU-membership on 13 Oct. The government of Prime Minister Gailis was defeated in elections on 1 Oct 1995 by the Democratic Party.


AMENDMENTS: MADAGASKAR: Sep 1995 amendment of the constitution reinforced the already strong position of the President (Albert Zafy) who may now nominate a Prime Minister without parliamentary approval.


ELECTIONS: SOUTH AFRICA: Province of KwaZulu/Natal postponed local elections until March 1996, following Inkatha protests against ANC attempts to centralize clan chief financing.


TECHNICALITIES: Sorry for the confusion, but our Europe Server hardware failed and we had to start over from scratch. Here is the new (corrected) URL (the "index.html" is necessary):

--> http://www.uni-hamburg.de/law/index.html
--> http://web.mit.edu/stngiam2/www/ICL/

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(Sending Date: 28 Oct 1995)
ANNOUNCEMENTS: The Constitution of SINGAPORE now includes section titles.

ELECTIONS - RUSSIA: Presidential elections in June 1996 (tentative date).

ELECTIONS - GERMANY: Even though federal elections are only in 1998, the fight about who will become the opposition's candidate rages between SPD leader Rudolf Scharping and the prime minister of Lower Saxony, Gerhard Schröder.


ELECTIONS - ALGERIA: 16 Nov 1995: Presidential elections. President Liamine Zeroual is expected to win while major parties are boycotting elections.
ANNOUNCEMENTS: GERMANY's constitution is presented in a consolidated ICL-edition with all amendments until 3 Nov 1995. LUXEMBOURG's constitution is new on ICL; also in a consolidated edition with all amendments until Dec 1994.

REFERENDUM: On 24 Nov 1995, IRELAND decides about changing its constitutional ban on divorce {for details see ./ei_index.html}.


ELECTIONS: TANZANIA, on 29 Oct 1995, had a chaotic election with claims of vote-rigging. Elections in Dar es Salaam were postponed and took place on 19 Nov 1995. The old CCM government won. SOUTH-AFRICA: The ANC won 67% of the local vote on 1 Nov 1995. On 16 Nov 1995, ALGERIA's electorate confirmed President Liamine Zeroual (61%) with 75% turnout. Parties on the streets. POLAND, on 19 Nov 1995, surprisingly voted for ex-communist Kwasniewski and against former President Lech Walesa with 51%. Election fraud has been claimed against the results. AUSTRIA, on 17 Dec 1995, will elect a new parliament. RUSSIA: 17 Dec 1995 -- parliament; June 1996 -- president. TURKEY, on 24 Dec 1995, will, for the first time, extend its elections abroad giving Turkish Citizens the opportunity to vote at their embassies and consulates. AUSTRALIA: March 1996 -- announced early elections. SPAIN: Spring 1996 -- Expected date of elections.

TREATIES: LOM: The EU aid for ACP countries will come to an end in the year 2000 (new deal signed 4 Nov 1995 in Mauritius).